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1. DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S (MDFA) NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE DIVISION TOLD EMBOFF JULY 29 THAT HIS SECTION IS STILL RECEIVING COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT POLITICAL DECLARATION WHICH SRI LANKA DISTRIBUTED TO NAM COUNTRIES FOLLOWING THE ALGIERS NACC MEETING.HE FELT IT WOULD BE UNILKELY THAT A FINAL DRAFT POLITICAL DECLARATION WOULDBE READY MUCH BEFORE FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING PRIOR TO SUMMIT.

2. THIS MDFA SOURCE SAID THAT GSL IS STILL FOLLOWING TACTIC OF TRYING TO PRESERVE ITS VERSION OF DOCUMENT WITH PERHAPS SOME DRAFTING CHANGES BUT HE LEFT IMPRESSION THAT HE WAS NOT CERTAIN THEY COULD PULL IT OFF. HE SAID CEYLONESE ARE TAKING GREAT DEAL OF HEAT FROM VIETNAMESE WHO ARE EXERTING TREMENDOUS PRESSURE TO HAVE RADICAL CHANGES MADE IN DRAFT.EMBOFF ASKED WHETHER NORTH KOREANS HAD ALTERED THEIR POSITION ANY AND WHETHER THEY TOO WERE APPLYINGPNC HSURE ON GLS.MDFA OFFICIAL SAID CONFIDENTIAL

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HE HAD DETECTED NO CHANGE IN NORTH KOREAN POSITION AT ALL

BUT INDICATED THEY WERE NOT PROBLEM AS FAR AS EXERTING
PRESSURE AT PRESENT. HE AGAIN MENTIONED VIETNAMESE
AS REAL THORN IN THEIR SIDE.
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